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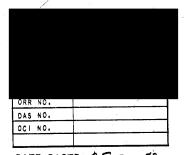
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- Material shortages appear to have been overcome for the present at Lowa-Werdau. 1. Right trucks of the types 05 (cross-country) and 4H3A, left the works in the last half of Oct 53. The entire truck production depends on the delivery of engines. Horch Zwickau has promised the delivery of 50 H3 engines by the end of November.
- Three electric omnibuses have been delivered to the Soviet Union. The motors come 2. from the Elektromotorenwerk Wernigerode, in the Harz.
- The financial difficulties of the plant remain as before. There is no more credit. 3. A way out will be sought through increased productivity.
- At the end of October Lowa-Werdau switched to building closed bodies for trucks, 4. for the Soviet troops. Pressed wood sheets are used in the production. They are intended for Red Army units in the Zwickau area. Up to the end of October, three 25X1B trucks had been equipped with closed bodies. The trucks are 25X1B

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